

Meeting 12/18/2013 Started 2:39pm

Present: Mandi Kirkland, Kaela Jackson, Sandi Greathouse, Delna Bliss, Tammie Bean, Mrs. Burton, Margie Lisonbee

Tammie Bean conducted meeting.

Mrs. Burton discussed testing scores- reviewed papers. We had a big growth in science.

Mrs. Lisonbee and Mrs. Bean stated that it is hard to compare one year to another because they are comparing different kids and they have to gain

Mrs. Burton stated that it's a total different group so it's not fair to compare. It's not good they have to increase based off of previous kids.

Mrs. Lisonbee reviewed science report. Lance shared good website for geo games, kidsgeo.com

Mrs. Bean said that rock fieldtrip is good. Kids are still talking about trip and bringing rocks to school to share. She wishes they could get someone to come to the school too.

Mrs. Burton states that SAGE is harder because it's not multiply choice anymore and it will be a hard evaluator. Reviewed Dibels report. We have to be at 77% or close to that. Reviewed assessment results. We need over a 1% increase required and its different kids so it's hard. The 1st and 2nd grades will be hard to increase.

Mrs. Lisonbee makes a suggestion to pair different grades.

Trust lands Funds

Ms. Bean Trust lands funds should be more than usual this years.

3rd Grade:

Mrs. Bliss—3rd Grade focused on math facts last year and there were great improvements. The lab is open and is used a lot the kids love it. Would like to use some funds to maintain tech support that would be \$350.00.

Mrs. Lisonbee and Ms. Bean said that the kids are able to recall math a lot faster.

Mrs. Bliss states that 3rd graders move to chapter books. All teachers will be trained in Spalding by next year. She suggests that at least one teacher from each grade attend the Kagan Workshop in Florida July 11-18. Would also like new fluency kits for all classes. (See her handout for further details)

1st and 2nd Grades:

Ms. Bean---1st grade is required to do the i-ready- it's all reading and can do it at home. Legislature is really pushing it and any technology. Kids are on computers at least 3 hours a week. There's a lot on computers. The school needs more computers at least 4-6 per classroom. Kids are doing better on computer tests than written. Would prefer

laptops. She is looking into all options. Google Chrome would be ideal if our network would work with them. Need more technology in classrooms. Need professional workshops for teachers on technology and Florida Kagan Workshop would cover that. It would be \$3200/teacher, which includes travel and everything else. Kagan is a good program.

4th Grade:

Mrs. Lisonbee—Looked at 4th grade Academic Goal report—Would like to replace books in literacy center with high interest books. Most of the good books are worn out. Would like digital recorders so kids could hear themselves read out loud. Would need a couple.

Ms. Bean purchased the Razkids herself for her class and there's 1000's of books online with it that the kids can read at home. It cost \$89/program. The program reads the book to the kid, and then they read it and take a quiz. Gives a lot of info so the teacher can see how they are doing. It records them reading and the teacher can login and listen.

Mrs. Lisonbee suggests that they could do this like Fastmath.

Ms. Bean there's good motivation techniques with the Razkids program. The program will move the kids up a level when they read. She has got a lot of good feedback from parents. Anyone can get on and see demo. The teacher has control over the levels.

All requests Razkids demo at next meeting by Ms. Bean.

Mrs. Lisonbee stated that Mrs. Pack and Mrs. Tanner have notes with the 4th grade packet for what they would like. Would let Mrs. Tanner use their books if she would like.

Mrs. Burton said that we are going to need another 1st grade class next year with all the kids.

Ms. Bean said that the mics are going out. 4 teachers don't have them. She suggest that they find another company that is compatible with this system. They have tried everything with the current mics and nothing works. The school needs a lot of technology and training.

Parking:

Ms. Bean said that Mr. Noah has contacted the city about making the parking lot one way traffic. Make it a right turn only coming out of the pick-up zone. (Everyone thinks that's a great idea) Suggests extending the chain link fence in the front of the school.

Next Meeting:

January 23rd in faculty room at 1:15pm